

29 April 2021

# ACTIVITIES REPORT FOR THE QUARTER ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

## **Highlights**

- Maiden 4,518m RC drilling program completed at Saltwater Gold Project
- 12 out of 40 holes hit highly anomalous gold (>0.2g/t Au)
- Intersections up to 1.26g/t Au received from the historic Saltwater mining area
- The results extend over a strike extent of 4km and define a potential new gold camp
- 9 holes targeted an undercover structural target and identified a supergene blanket in excess of 200m wide
- Melrose Gold Project area expanded and negotiations with traditional owners are underway
- Capital Project exploration licences granted initial exploration to commence in June quarter
- Company consolidated its issued share capital on 1-for-15 basis consolidation approved by shareholders January 2021

Aruma Resources Limited (ASX: AAJ) (Aruma or the Company) is pleased to provide the following report on its activities for the quarter ending 31 March 2021 (Quarter).

During the Quarter the Company continued to focus on its portfolio of prospective Australian gold projects. Aruma has three gold exploration projects in Western Australia, and one in New South Wales. All are strategically located in active gold domains.

Works in the Quarter were highlighted by the completion of a maiden, 4,518m RC, drilling program at the Saltwater Gold Project in the Pilbara region of WA which resulted in the definition of a potential new gold camp, the expansion of the Melrose Project, also in the Pilbara, and the granting of the exploration licences at the Capital Project in the Goulburn region of NSW.

Corporately, the Company is in a sound position with a cash balance at quarter's end of approximately \$2.98 million. Aruma consolidated the issued capital in Company, on the basis of 1 new security for every 15 securities then on issue.

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Post Consolidation
Capital Structure

106M Shares on Issue 21M Options on issue

#### **Board of Directors**

Non-Executive Chairman **Paul Boyatzis** 

Managing Director **Peter Schwann** 

Non-Executive Director

Mark Elliott

Company Secretary

Phillip MacLeod

Gold Projects - 1,571km<sup>2</sup>
Norseman

SCOTIA SOUTH - 202km<sup>2</sup>

Pilbarc

MELROSE - 364km<sup>2</sup>

SALTWATER - 646km<sup>2</sup>

**NSW Lachlan Fold Belt** 

CAPITAL - 358km<sup>2</sup>

Lithium Project
Norseman

MT DEANS - 1.44km<sup>2</sup>

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Figure 1: Aruma's Australian Projects

## **Saltwater Gold Project**

The Company's maiden 40 hole drilling program at Saltwater focused on outcropping areas on the western end of the Saltwater Ring Structure within a large 60km<sup>2</sup> magnetic ring structure that sits within E52/3818 at Saltwater, as shown in Figure 2.

Drilling was conducted over four short, closer-spaced lines (shown in Figure 3) which targeted the anomalous western area of the Saltwater Ring Structure.

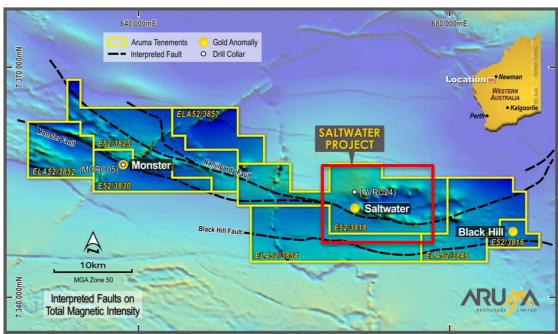
The program also completed wider-spaced (regional) longer lines, to the east, which targeted the ring structure/splay under cover. Nine holes totaling 900m, in two lines of drilling, were completed in this area, as shown in Figure 3.

Intersections grading up to 1.26g/t gold were received from drilling at the historic Saltwater mining area. The nine wider-spaced extension holes have identified a significant supergene blanket in excess of 200 metres wide (Figure 5).

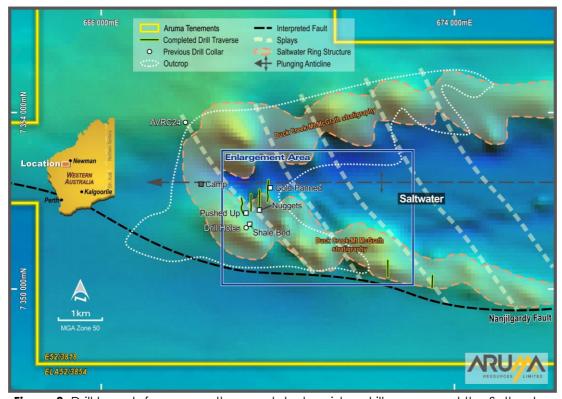
The results were highly encouraging and extend over a strike length of 4 kilometres, and indicate the potential discovery of a new gold camp at Saltwater. Significant drill intersections, above >0.3g/t, are shown in Table 1, and intersections grading between 0.1 - 0.3g/t Au are shown in Table 2.







**Figure 2:** Aruma's Saltwater Project area on TMI magnetics showing faults and anomalies - drill target area outlined in red.



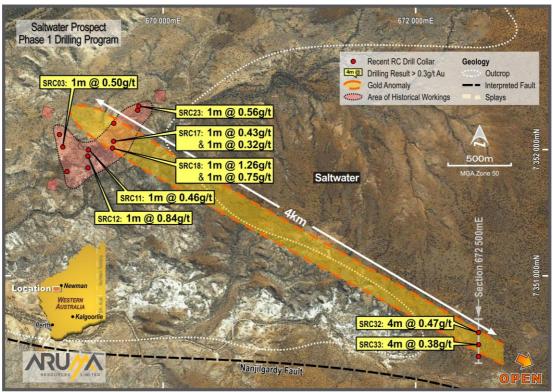
**Figure 3:** Drill targets from recently completed maiden drill program at the Saltwater project on TMI magnetics, showing the target Duck Creek-Mt McGrath stratigraphy as the shaded anticline.





Figure 3 shows the rationale behind the Saltwater drilling completed during the Quarter, with the western drill lines located over the historic gold area, and the eastern lines positioned over the splay and Nanjilgardy Fault, under cover. The western splay coincides with AVRC24 anomaly, alteration and historic nuggets. The eastern splay targeted areas of deep weathering and paleochannels.

The close-spaced drilling targeted old workings at the historic Saltwater mining area within the recently identified and prospective Mt McGrath Formation, which hosts Mt Olympus Gold Mine. The wider-spaced drilling targeted the extension of the contact and structure under cover some 3km east.



**Figure 4:** Showing highly anomalous drill results >0.3g/t - showing cluster on the historic area (red shading) and the projected extension to the East Line (orange shading)

Hole No	Easting	Northing	RL	Azimuth	Dip	From	То	Interval	Au ppm 25g FA	Area
SRC18	669598	7352010	492	180	-60	0	1	1	1.262	Saltwater
SRC12	669403	7351948	495	180	-60	102	103	1	0.836	Saltwater
SRC18	669598	7352010	492	180	-60	9	10	1	0.746	Saltwater
SRC23	669808	7352343	483	180	-60	113	114	1	0.562	Saltwater
SRC03	669206	7352020	484	180	-60	35	36	1	0.497	Saltwater
SRC32	672497	7350549	517	180	-60	44	48	4	0.473	East Lines
SRC11	669409	7351997	485	180	-60	76	77	1	0.46	Saltwater
SRC17	669607	7352065	492	180	-60	90	91	1	0.432	Saltwater
SRC33	672500	7350453	516	180	-60	24	28	4	0.375	East Lines
SRC17	669607	7352065	492	180	-60	100	101	1	0.318	Saltwater

Table 1: Significant intersections >0.3g/t from the Saltwater initial drilling program





The supergene blanket seen in the East Lines in Figure 4 is located almost 4km from the Saltwater cluster and highlights the potential for a significant system - with the intersection of 4m at 0.47g/t in hole SRC 32 as shown on Figures 3 and 4.

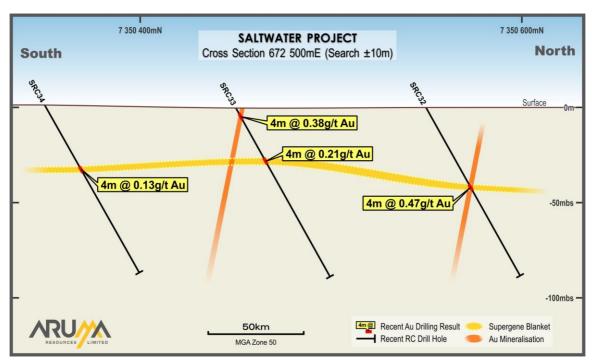


Figure 5: Drilling results at the East Lines area showing the supergene blanket

Hole No	Easting	Northing	RL	Azimuth	Dip	From	То	Interval	Au ppm FA25	Area
SRC24	669798	7352311	494	180	-60	51	52	1	0.287	Saltwater
SRC11	669409	7351997	485	180	-60	8	9	1	0.281	Saltwater
SRC17	669607	7352065	492	180	-60	63	64	1	0.279	Saltwater
SRC07	669239	7351826	503	180	-60	41	42	1	0.268	Saltwater
SRC17	669607	7352065	492	180	-60	86	87	1	0.233	Saltwater
SRC24	669798	7352311	494	180	-60	85	86	1	0.225	Saltwater
SRC15	669609	7352208	473	180	-60	113	114	1	0.222	Saltwater
SRC33	672500	7350453	516	180	-60	4	8	4	0.207	East Lines
SRC31	669403	7351856	518	180	-60	83	84	1	0.203	Saltwater
SRC15	669609	7352208	473	180	-60	110	111	1	0.174	Saltwater
SRC01	669179	7352118	488	180	-60	67	68	1	0.168	Saltwater
SRC15	669609	7352208	473	180	-60	88	89	1	0.161	Saltwater
SRC18	669598	7352010	492	180	-60	11	12	1	0.152	Saltwater
SRC12	669403	7351948	495	180	-60	96	97	1	0.139	Saltwater
SRC34	672496	7350359	516	180	-60	28	32	4	0.133	East Lines
SRC17	669607	7352065	492	180	-60	61	62	1	0.127	Saltwater
SRC30	669602	7352101	487	66	67	66	67	1	0.121	Saltwater
SRC29	669789	7352058	488	42	43	42	43	1	0.118	Saltwater
SRC12	669403	7351948	495	180	-60	25	26	1	0.106	Saltwater
SRC12	669403	7351948	495	180	-60	29	30	1	0.104	Saltwater
SRC29	669789	7352058	492	72	73	72	73	1	0.104	Saltwater

Table 2: Drill Holes intersections between 0.1 - 0.3g/tAu





## Saltwater Dome Structure

The drilling has redefined the stratigraphy at the Saltwater Dome with Cheela Springs Basalt and Mt McGrath (Bouma sediments) clearly visible in the drilling. Below are the interpretations in the geological plan (Figure 6) and the schematic section (Figure 7).

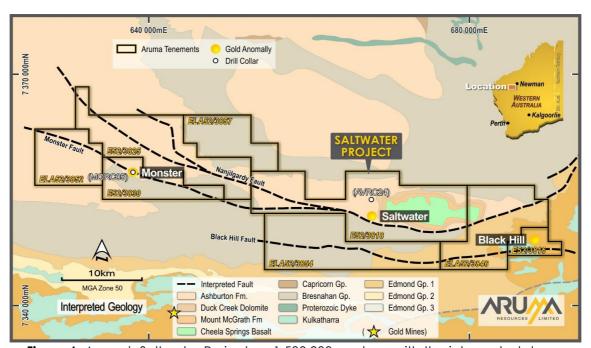


Figure 6: Aruma's Saltwater Project on 1:500,000 geology with the interpreted dome

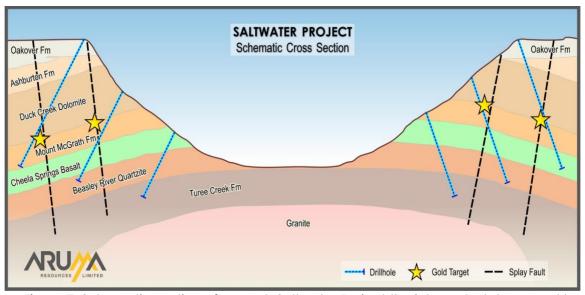


Figure 7: Schematic section of Aruma's Saltwater Project the interpreted dome and targets

The probable locations of the gold accumulations are suggested from the geology at Mt Olympus, where the gold is on structures intersecting the Mt McGrath-Duck Creek contact as shown in figure 7.





## **Melrose Gold Project**

Aruma conducted a field orientation visit to the Melrose Project and the Gossan Hill area was inspected and access checked for future drilling programs. The nearby Paulsens mine was also visited and the rock types confirmed as greywackes to shales.

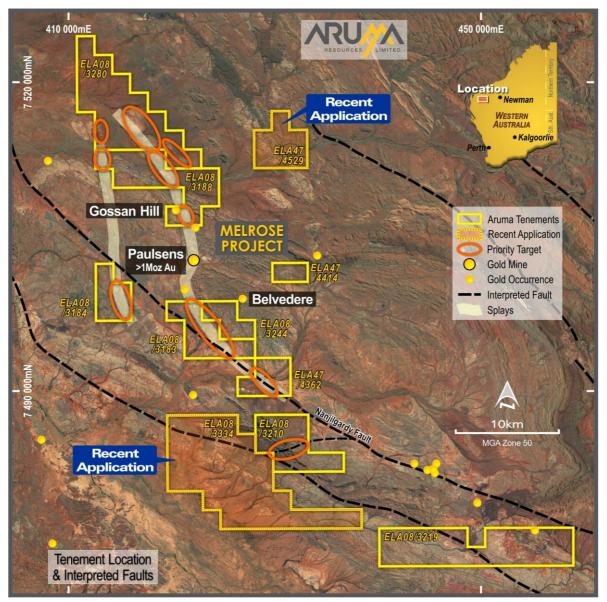


Figure 8: Melrose new leases (Q3) with E47/4529 in the north and E08/3334 in the south.

Two new leases (E08/3334 and E47/4529) were applied for during the Quarter and are shown on Figure 8 above. Figure 8 shows the Paulsens Corridor with the new leases covering possible extensions of structures in existing tenure.

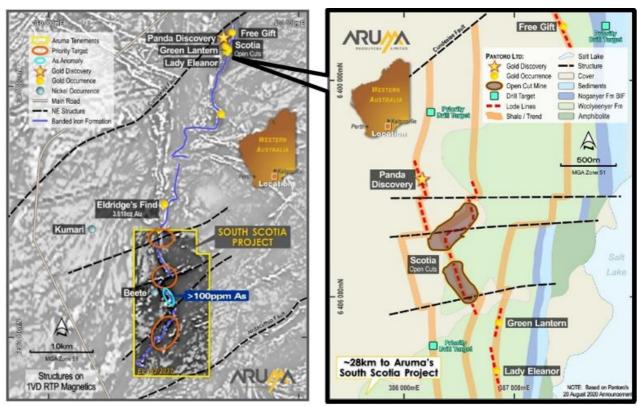




With the addition of the two new ELAs the Melrose Project comprises 11 exploration licences covering a total area of 364km<sup>2</sup>, situated adjacent to Northern Star Resources' (ASX: NST) Paulsens Gold Mine, as is shown in Figure 8.

# Scotia South Gold Project

The Scotia South Gold Project encompasses Exploration Licence Application ELA63/2037 and covers an area of 217km<sup>2</sup>. It is located approximately 200 kilometres south of the major regional centre of Kalgoorlie, and approximately 60 kilometres south of the mining town of Norseman.



**Figure 9:** Aruma's Scotia South Project on 1VD RTP magnetics showing gold occurrences with stratigraphy continuity (left) with the stratigraphic layers that contain the mineralisation at Pantoro's (ASX:PNR) Scotia Project.

The Project is strategically located on a 20km strike extension of the prospective stratigraphy magnetic signature that hosts Pantoro Limited's (ASX: PNR) Panda gold discovery at the Scotia Mining Centre and also the very high-grade Eldridge's Find gold mine, immediately north of Aruma's Scotia South project area (Figure 9).

Aruma's initial assessment of the Project has identified three priority drill targets (circled in Figure 9).





## Capital Gold Project, NSW

The Capital Project comprises three Exploration Licences (EL9022, EL9023 and EL9027) totalling 372km<sup>2</sup> within the Lachlan Fold Belt and near the Hume Discovery and historic Bywong gold mines. All Exploration Licences at the Project are now granted, and are current for 3 years. Aruma will be carrying out exploration reconnaissance in the current quarter.

# Mt Deans Li Ta Project, Norseman WA

A Program of Works was applied for at Mt Deans.

## **CORPORATE**

Aruma had a cash balance at 31 March of approximately \$2.98 million. Aruma received \$83,000 during the quarter from the sale of shares obtained in a joint venture.

During the quarter, Aruma consolidated the issued capital of the Company, on the basis of 1 new security for every 15 securities on issue, to give the Company a more appropriate capital structure going forward. This was approved at the Shareholder Meeting on January 13, 2021 and completed on January 25, 2021.

#### **PROJECTS SUMMARY**

Resident Control (R)							
Region	Location Project		Status				
WA EASTERN	Norseman	Mt Deans Lithium	Granted 100% AAJ				
GOLDFIELDS	Projects	South Scotia gold	awaiting grant				
WA	Nanjilgardy	Melrose Gold	awaiting grant				
			Drilling indicated possible new				
PILBARA	Nanjilgardy	Saltwater Gold	gold camp				
NSW LACHLAN	St George	Capital Gold	Granted 100% AAJ				
FOLD BELT	Fault						

Table 3: Gold Project Status and Activity Table

Authorised for release by Peter Schwann, Managing Director.





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#### **COMPETENT PERSON'S STATEMENT**

The information in this release that relates to Exploration Results, Mineral Resources or Ore Reserves is based on information compiled by Peter Schwann who is a Fellow of the AlG. Mr Schwann is Managing Director and a full time employee of the Company. Mr Schwann has sufficient experience that is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity being undertaken to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 Edition of the 'Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserve'. Mr Schwann consents to the inclusion in the release of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears. All exploration results reported have previously been released to ASX (17 February 2021) and are available to be viewed on the Company website <a href="https://www.arumaresurces.com.au">www.arumaresurces.com.au</a>. The Company confirms it is not aware of any new information that materially affects the information included in the original announcement. The Company confirms that the form and context in which the Competent Person's findings are presented have not been materially modified from the original announcements.

#### FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENT

Certain statements contained in this document constitute forward looking statements. Such forward-looking statements are based on a number of estimates and assumptions made by the Company and its consultants in light of experience, current conditions and expectations of future developments which the Company believes are appropriate in the current circumstances. These estimates and assumptions while considered reasonable by the Company are subject to known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors which may cause the actual results, achievements and performance of the Company to be materially different from the future results and achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Forward looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements preceded by words such as "planned", "expected", "projected", "estimated", "may", "scheduled", "intends", "anticipates", "believes", "potential", "could", "nominal", "conceptual" and similar expressions. There can be no assurance that Aruma plans to develop exploration projects that will proceed with the current expectations. There can be no assurance that Aruma will be able to conform the presence of Mineral Resources or Ore Reserves, that any mineralisation will prove to be economic and will be successfully developed on any of Aruma's mineral properties. Investors are cautioned that forward looking information is no guarantee of future performance and accordingly, investors are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements.





## **SUMMARY OF TENEMENTS**

Western Australia

Saltwater (gold)	Interest at beginning of Quarter	Interest at end of Quarter
E52/3816		
E52/3818		
E52/3825		
E52/3830	100% Aruma Exploration Pty Ltd	4000/ Amuses Frankrichten Dhallad
E52/3837		100% Aruma Exploration Pty Ltd
E52/3852		
E52/3854		
E52/3857	Nil	

Melrose (gold)	Interest at beginning of Quarter	Interest at end of Quarter
ELA08/3183		
ELA08/3184		
ELA08/3188		
ELA08/3210	100% Aruma Exploration Pty Ltd	
ELA08/3219		100% Aruma Exploration Pty Ltd
ELA08/3244		
ELA47/4362		
ELA47/4414		
ELA47/4529		
ELA08/3280	Nil	
ELA08/3334	Nil	

Scotia South (gold)	Interest at beginning of Quarter	Interest at end of Quarter
ELA63/2037	100% Aruma Exploration Pty Ltd	100% Aruma Exploration Pty Ltd

Mt. Deans (Li)	Interest at beginning of Quarter	Interest at end of Quarter
P63/2063	100% Aruma Exploration Pty Ltd	100% Aruma Exploration Pty Ltd

## New South Wales

Capital (gold)	Interest at beginning of Quarter	Interest at end of Quarter
EL9022 (ELA5955) EL9023 (ELA5956) EL9027 (ELA5987)	100% Aruma Exploration Pty Ltd	100% Aruma Exploration Pty Ltd

Table 4: Summary of tenements for the March 21 Quarter

#### **ASX ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

ASX listing rule 5.3.1 - Exploration and evaluation expenditure during the quarter was \$386,570 including staff costs of \$51,570. Details of exploration activity during the March 2021 quarter are set out in this report.

ASX listing rule 5.3.2 - There was no substantive mining production or development activities during the quarter.

ASX listing rule 5.3.5 - Appendix 5B, Section 6.1 – description of payments: During the quarter \$95,438 was paid to Directors for director and superannuation fees and \$3,338 for vehicle hire.

